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Minutes of the Meeting Held
February 10, 2009

The Delaware Harness Racing Commission met for a meeting at Dover Downs,
Dover, Delaware at 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2009.

Commission Members Present

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| Beth Steele, Chairman | George P. Staats, Commissioner |
| Robert B. Brown, Commissioner | Kenneth Williamson, Commissioner |
| Mary Ann Lambertson, Commissioner | |

Others Present

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| Andrew Kerber, Deputy Attorney General | Brian Manges, Chief Investigator |
| Charles Lockhart, VP, Horse Racing, D. Downs | Scott Egger, Presiding Judge |
| John Hensley, Sr. Dir., Horse Racing, D. Downs | Dr. Annie Renzetti, Chief DHRC Veterinarian |
| Salvatore DiMario, Executive Director, DSOA | Hugh J. Gallagher, Administrator of Racing |
| James Boese, General Manager, HRI | Jo-Ann Price, Paralegal |
| Karen Craft, Facilities Manager, HRI | Dr. Emily Galloway, DHRC Veterinarian |
| Cheryl Anthony, Court Reporter | |

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| Call to Order/Welcome | Chairman Steele called the public session of the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. and welcomed those in attendance. |
| Approval of Minutes | Commissioner Williamson made a Motion to approve the January 13, 2009 DRHC Minutes as written. Commissioner Brown seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously. |
| Old Business | None offered. |
| New Business Public Hearing: Rule 9 | A court reporter took a verbatim transcript, opening at 10:26 a.m. Commission Counsel explained that Rule 9 was recommended to the Commission from the Rules Committee, and this was the time for public comments. With no public comments offered for suggested changes, Commissioner Williamson moved to adopt the final rules as proposed, Commissioner Brown seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously at 10:28 a.m. An Order will be presented for signature at the next meeting. |
| Reports from Judges, Vets and Administrator Administrator Chief Investigator | The Administrator reported he has taken over the Investigation Unit; he is working with the investigators on two investigations. A report from Brian Manges was in the Commissioner's folders. |
| Public Comment Whipping Rule | Mr. Boese offered his opinion that the rule was not working as is, |

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| Harness Racing Congress | <p>with only \$200.00 fines being dispensed. Mr. Egger corrected him, stating that of the four incidents during this meet at Dover Downs, each was a first offense. No second offenses have occurred, therefore, no stiffer fines were imposed.</p> <p>Chairman Steele reported that she attended the Congress the first week of February in Las Vegas, finding it very informative.</p> |
| Adjournment to Executive Session | At approximately 11:45 a.m., Commissioner Brown moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel issues, Commissioner Staats seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously. |
| Upcoming Events DHRC Regular Meeting Rules Committee | <p>03/10/09 – 10:15 am, Dover Downs; Silver Lake Room</p> <p>03/03/09 - 10:15 a.m. DDA, Secretary's Conference Room</p> |
| Adjournment | At approximately 12:39 p.m., having no further business, Commissioner Staats moved to adjourn, Commissioner Lambertson seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously. |

